

Abstract

5 A method is provided for detecting a tracer in a preparation by precipitating a coloring
agent from a sample of the preparation, especially where the coloring agent otherwise
interferes with detection of the tracer. A sample of the preparation may be contacted with an
effective amount of a precipitating agent to precipitate the coloring agent in the sample,
yielding a sample supernatant having a reduced concentration of coloring agent compared to
the preparation. Detection of the tracer in the supernatant may produce a result which may be
10 evaluated to assist in quality validation in a process of manufacturing the preparation or
authenticating the preparation.